



PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE  
PATENT EXAMINING OPERATIONS

Applicant: Bernd Beck

Serial No: 10/696,210

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Title: REGULATING THE VALVE FOR ADJUSTING THE FLOW IN AN INFUSION  
OR TRANSFUSION PROCEDURE

Charlotte, North Carolina  
March 11, 2004

Honorable Commissioner of Patents  
Arlington, Virginia 22313-1450

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Dear Sir:

Preliminary to Examination, kindly amend the above-identified application as follows: